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EXAMINING GROUP 2126

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In re the Application of:

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For: **METHOD AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING STATE
INFORMATION IN A MANAGEMENT NETWORK HAVING A NUMBER OF
MANAGEMENT LEVELS**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 18, 2004.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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